PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

13-003-0

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY ON PARK POINT TO ROBERT A. AND LAURA A. GOEWEY FOR \$235,000.

CITY PROPOSAL:

The city of Duluth does ordain:

Section 1. That pursuant to Section 2-176 of the Duluth City Code, 1959, as amended (the Code), the city council finds that:

- (a) The manager of the city's physical planning division has reviewed this proposed conveyance and found conveyance thereof to be in conformity with the city's comprehensive land use plan;
- (b) The city assessor has provided an estimate of the market value of the property in the amount of \$175,000;
- (c) The property described in Section 2 below is hereby determined to be surplus to the city's future needs and is therefore appropriate for sale;

Section 2. That as provided for in section 2-177.2 of the Code, the property described in Section 3 below was advertised in the Duluth News Tribune during the 30 days prior to being offered at public auction on December 14, 2012, at which auction Robert A and Laura A. Goeway bid \$235,000 for the property which was the highest bid.

Section 3. That the proper city officials are hereby authorized to sell and convey the following described property in St. Louis County, Minnesota, by quit claim deed, to Robert A. and Laura A. Goewey, husband and wife, as joint tenants, for the amount of \$235,000 to be deposited into Fund 110 (General), Agency 700 (Transfers and Other Functions), Organization 1420 (Capital Programs), Object 4640 (Sale of Land), and further to execute all documents necessary with regard to said conveyance:

Lots 59 and 60, Lake Avenue, LOWER DULUTH.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its passage and publication.

Approved:

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Department Director

Approved as to form:

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Approved for presentation to council:

Chief Administrative Office

Approved:

Auditor

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize the sale and conveyance of property at 2138 Minnesota Avenue in the Park Point neighborhood (the former Fire Hall #5) to Robert A. and Laura A. Goewey, for \$235,000.

The property to be sold was advertised in the Duluth News Tribune, the Minneapolis Star Tribune and on the City's website and offered at public auction on December 14, 2012. The buyers presented the highest bid, which bid exceeds the bid reserve, and plans to renovate the Fire Hall for a future home.

The City Assessor's office determined the value to be \$175,000 and the buyers have successfully bid \$235,000.

Tax base impact statement: The transaction will result in property which is presently tax exempt going back on the tax rolls. It is anticipated that it will generate approximately \$742.00 in 2013 taxes, payable in 2014.